#### Cuelph Grening Mercury

MONDAYEV'NG, MARCH 24, 1878.

Macdonald to do what the Opposition have been urging on him for years past—bring in a new and improved election law. There are some good features in the measure introduced by Sir John last week, notably the change proposed to hold all the Dominion elections on one day, the same as the elections for the Legislative Assembly of Ontario. Considering the strenuous opposition given to this reform by the Premier and his followers, for years past, and even so late as last session, it is a great concession on the part of the Conservatives, and an acknowledgement that the views all along held by the Opposition on this subject, were correct, and tended towards in the Bill that we feel some doubts about. It is an arrangement for affording electors who hold property or different Ridings or Counties, to vote in all places where such property is situated. The mode in which this is to be done is as folvote personally where he resides, but he can send a properly certified and signed document recording his vote, to the Returning Officer or officers in other counties where his property lies, for which ever candidate he-chooses who is running in the county where his property lies. These voting papers must be sent in time and before the day of election. Apart from the question affecting the principle, whether a person has a right to a vote wherever he has property, our impression is that such a system of voting by letter would afford facility for committing frauds, as bad or worse than any perpetrated under the old law. he can send a properly certified and

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'Spite of the letter of "a Rate. payer," published in another column, we still hold to the opinion that \$1,500 would have been a fair proportion for the I pper Wyndham Street property owners to pay for St. George's Square. At the same time we can thoroughly appreciate the rather sareastic way in which he deads, with those Lower Wyndham St. men who thought that their end of the street was going to be ruined if the "Doctor's elephant," as "Ratepayer" calls it, was to be removed, and the whole street thrown open.

#### An Important Bill.

A Bill has been introduced into the Dominion Parliament, by Mr. Mercier, and received its first and second reading, which we hope will become law. It provides that it shall be the duty of the agent, superintendent, or principal servant any railway company, at each station of such company, when any passen-ger train shall be overdue for one quarter of an hour at such station according to the time table of such company, to put up on the outside of the station house over the platform of the station, in some conspicuous place, a written or printed notice, m English or French, signed by him, and changed at the expiration of every quarter of an hour during the detention, stating in a clear and prepise manner to the best of his knowledge and belief, the time when such overdue train may be expected to reach such station. Every such agent, reach such station. Every such agent, superintendent or principal servant shall be liable to a ponalty not exceeding the total ponalty of the provisions aforesaid; and any suit for the recovery of such penalty may be brought before any Justice of the Peace for the district or county in which such station is situated. The importance of the Bill cannot be over-estimated. Waiting from one to three hours in a dreary station—and often very uncomfortable at

one to three hours in a dreary station—and often very uncomfortable at that—afraid to be "off guard" a moment lest the train should arrive and depart, and no means of ascertaining low long the misery may last, is enough to try the patience of a saint. We will be glad if Mr. Merritt's Bill becomes law, and the travelling public will appreciate it as a piece of good legislats an.

\*\*Daew's Protest.\*\*—The. Harriston Traham, says:—"We see, that Mr.

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Tribum says :- "We see that Mr. Drew has got the election of Col. Highbotham, to the Dominion House, protested. He has done this Touse, protested. He has done this contrary to the wishes of his own friends, who were of opinion that 'the pot should not call the pan black. On our part, we believe the 'pan' was not nearly as black as the 'pot,' and that Mr. Drew's pig-headeiness will redound to his own disconsiture. There was not 10 per cent, of the amount required subscribed in the whole North Riding, and the leading Conservatives refused to subscribe altogether. Supposing Mr. Drew was successful in his protest, Col. Higmbotham would the re-elected by ten times his old majority. Go ahead, friend Drew, you will remember our warning, when you have to 'pay the piper.' Like many other things this delicious protest came from Mourr Forest."

It is rumoured that many of the recognizances attached to the petitions presented against Reform members are so badly drawn that many of the petitions will be thrown out be fore they reach the Election Committee. The recognizances put in with the petitions against Ministerial members are spoken of as having been prepared with great care.

WEST DURHAM .- Mr. Wood is not to without opposition. Samuel Wilmot, a creature only too willing to do th The Government Election Bill. bidding of Sir John, has been induced Public opinion has forced Sir John to take the field, on consideration that his election expenses are forthcoming from Ottawa. Mr. Wood, we doubt not, will send Samuel back to his position of Government Fish-bleeder. He will be taught a lesson by the Reformers of West Durham which will have the effect of keeping him, and others of his ilk, from push-ing himself where he is not wanted.

SOUTH BRANT .- The Reformers of South Brant have persuaded Mr. Arthur S. Hardy, a resident of Brant ford, and a life-long Reformer, to be ford, and a lite-long netormer, to come a candidate for the seat in the Local House vacated by Mr. Wood. Mr. Hawkins, of whom we know but little, is the Conservative opponent.

In the Globe of to-day is published a revised and more detailed calculation of the results of the Government scheme for the adjustment of securing purity of election. There the Municipal Loan Fund indebted is another recommendation contained ness. We find that we were right in the sum put down for the Town of Guelph to pay, after deducting allowance on railway expenditure, on population and being refunded Clergy Reserve money. That sum as we gave it before is \$52,221.62.

FATHER RICHOT, from Fort Garry, has been at Ottawa for some time. lows:—The voter must record his His business is understood to be to intercede with the Government for Riel, with the view of procuring an amnesty.

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